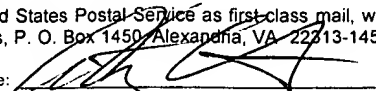


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In re Appln. of: Sumihito Morita et al.

Appln. No.: 09/822,576

Examiner:  
David Donald Davis

Art Unit: 2652

Filed: March 30, 2001

For: Thin-Film Magnetic Head Having Lower  
Magnetic Pole Layer and Insulator Layer Behind  
The Lower Magnetic Pole Layer in The Direction  
of Height of the Pole Layer, and Method For  
Manufacturing The Thin-Film Magnetic Head

Attorney Docket No: 9281/3965

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Attached is/are:

- ☒ Response to Restriction/Election Requirements of October 18, 2005
- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard

Fee calculation:

- ☒ No additional fee is required.
- ☐ Small Entity.
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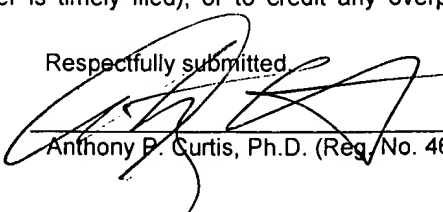
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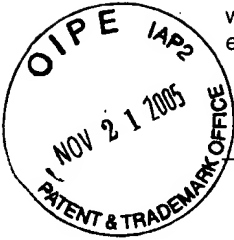
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### RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENTS OF OCTOBER 18, 2005

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Dear Sir:

This is in Reply to the Patent Office Action, mailed on October 18, 2005, in the above referenced application. Please enter the amendments below and consider the following remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.